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P&G Case CM2696

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :
Holger Zorn et al. : Confirmation No. 7227
Serial No. 10/655,780 : Group Art Unit 1651
Filed September 5, 2003 : Examiner
For Microbial Oxidoreductase

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

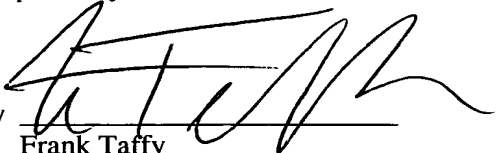
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Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Notice to Comply dated January 2, 2004, for three months, from March 2 to May 2, 2004. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$950 for the extension, plus any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480.

A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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